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Docket No.: 0445-0345P

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a \boxtimes continuation \square divisional \square continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 10/135,404 filed on May 1, 2002, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

Taketo ITOH

Hiroki MINOWA

for

DISPOSABLE DIAPER HAVING UPSTANDING WALLS FOR IMPROVING LEAKAGE PREVENTION

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).

2. \square The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	BASIC FEE		\$770.00	\$385.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	23-20 =	2	x 18 = \$36.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2-3 =	0	x 86 = \$0.00	x 43 = \$0.00
☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00
		TOTAL	\$806.00	\$0.00

3.	\boxtimes	A check in the amount of \$806.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4.		Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5.	\boxtimes	Enclosed is/are $\underline{\text{two}}$ ($\underline{2}$) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
6a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
6b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned to <u>Kao Corporation</u> .
8.		A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
9a.		Priority of Application No(s) filed in on is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on
9b.		Priority of International Appln filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No filed in on under 35

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10.		An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.			
11.	\boxtimes	Address all future communications to:			
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12.		An extension of time for() month(s) until has been submitted in parent Application Noin order to establish co-pendency with the present application.			
13.		Also enclosed herewith is the following:			
If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.					
		Respectfully submitted,			
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